

COMMENT OF
THE DAY

Misplaced Fear

THE Soviet leaders are almost refreshingly unpredictable; not only about what they are going to say next, but in what circumstances they will utter their sentiments on international affairs and relations.

Mr Krushchev, for instance, decided to utilise the Independence Day garden party at the American Embassy in Moscow to dilate on the forthcoming "summit" conference and to harangue his listeners about Western speculations and misconceptions of conditions in Russia. If nothing else, he established an entirely novel protocol for similar functions in the future.

Mr Krushchev's observations have been what is described as "well received" in Paris, London and Washington. Including, one supposes, his apology for saying "something unpleasant". But Western reactions appear to represent mental relief that Mr Krushchev said nothing to sabotage the forthcoming talks, rather than close appraisal of his speech.

JUST what the Soviet party chief meant by his long and involved utterances probably will only become manifest at Geneva. Certainly there were some puzzling aspects about his garden party address, not the least being the emphasis he placed on Russia conferring in the "summit" talks from a "position of strength."

So far as the Western world is concerned there has never been any doubt about that. The West's only fear has been whether the talks could be arranged at a time when Britain, France and the United States could make the same claim.

Never at any time has it been suggested by the Western allies that the Big Four heads of government would meet on anything but an equal basis, meaning points of view, no matter how divergent, would receive equally careful and weighty consideration.

MR Krushchev complains that many people in the non-Communist countries cannot understand Soviet policy. The answer to that, of course, is that it is both obscure and, these days, vacillating. By the same token the Western world finds it difficult to understand how Mr Krushchev and his colleague can criticise the operations of Russian industry and agriculture, but do so, according to Mr Krushchev, not because there is anything "wrong" with them. This is far too subtle for Westerners to comprehend, and if, therefore, they also arrive at misconceptions about Soviet international policies and intentions, the blame must be assumed by the Russians who persistently talk in riddles.

If Soviet policy is misinterpreted in the West it is not done deliberately, but because the Russians keep the world in the dark as to their true intentions. On the other hand the democracies can rightly protest that their international policies have been mischievously twisted by the Soviet propagandists for the express purpose of misleading the Russian people.

But so far as the Big Four conference is concerned, Mr Krushchev and his associates need have no worry. The Russians will be given a full and respectful hearing; there will be no cause for any feelings of inequality on either side. And if, at that meeting, the Russians make completely clear their international aims and policies, they will have done something unique and extraordinarily helpful.

CONCEALED A-WEAPONS IMPOSSIBLE TO DETECT

Woman's Mysterious Disappearance

London, July 6. The British Embassy in Prague is making urgent inquiries into the disappearance of a British-born Czechoslovak woman, Mrs Phyllis Clarke, from her home in the Czech capital. Mr Anthony Nutting, Minister of State at the Foreign Office announced today.

The woman whose Czech husband has been imprisoned by the Czechs, has made repeated requests to the Czech authorities to leave the country with her children. These efforts were actively supported by the British Foreign Office.

Giving details of the case, Mr Nutting said: "I regret to say that according to information which has just reached me, Mrs Clarke was removed from her home yesterday by the Czechoslovak authorities and Her Majesty's Embassy is making urgent inquiries.

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Eisenhower's Admission NEW TWIST TO THE DISARMAMENT PROBLEM

By PAUL SCOTT RANKINE

Washington, July 6.

President Eisenhower acknowledged today that it was not now technically possible, even with unlimited inspection, to detect concealed atomic weapons under any practical world disarmament control system.

The President thus accepted publicly at his press conference a thesis which has been a dominant influence in high level disarmament discussions here in preparation for the Geneva Big Four conference later this month. The thesis stems from the basic fact that, as one high official put it privately, a nuclear bomb capable of destroying a city can now be hidden in a large size sofa.

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weapons could not be detected, bombers and airfields and guided missile factories could.

Another line of official thought here is that inspection and control of such means of delivering nuclear weapons might provide an international "alarm system" which would reduce the chances of a surprise attack of the Pearl Harbor type by one country against another.

But the President today realistically emphasised that the United States should not propose any type of inspection for its potential enemies which it was not prepared to apply to United States military installations.

In these circumstances officials working here upon proposals for consideration at the Geneva conference appeared to be falling back upon some scheme of limited disarmament which would contribute towards a reduction of world tensions, even if it did not provide 100 per cent safety in the nuclear weapons field.

The hope is that the immense pressure on the Soviet economy of the current East-West armaments race will make the Soviet leaders at Geneva favourably disposed to the initiation of discussions designed to bring about a worldwide reduction of armaments even in this limited field.

ATTITUDE NOT YET CRYSTALLISED

Bombay, July 6. The Press Trust of India, quoting authoritative report, said, tonight that the Portuguese authorities in Diu, their colony about 400 miles north of Goa, have severed telegraphic communication with India.

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Emmett - Dunne Judgment Today

Dusseldorf, July 7. The fate of British soldier Frederick Emmett - Dunne, who made a German woman a widow and then married her, comes up for judgment today (Thursday).

The only official to speak today, ninth day of the murder trial, will be the judge advocate, who will sum up before the court martial of seven officers retire to consider their verdict.

Emmett-Dunne, six feet two, has admitted killing 30-year-old Sergeant Reginald Watters, whose attractive widow he married seven months later. But he claims self-defence. He says the victim was threatening him with a pistol. He said Watters had accused him of seducing his wife, Miss, a 29-year-old former night club singer.

Both Emmett-Dunne and the former Mrs. Watters, have denied any love affair before they were married. Watters was killed two years ago at a British Army camp here. His death was at first ruled as suicide because Emmett-Dunne had struck up the body to make it look as if

if Watters had hanged himself. Emmett-Dunne testified he had done this after accidentally killing Watters while trying to take away the pistol. He said he feared the consequences of previous gossip linking him with Miss Watters.

In a 50-minute last plea defense, Derek Curtis-Bennett described the case as "probably the most baffling case anyone has ever listened to in any court in any country in the century." The lawyer claimed, "the prosecution case falls down like a pack of cards the moment it is touched."

He spoke of "this little cattle of teashop gossip and sergeants' mess talk built up by the women. The yapping that must have gone on in the sergeants' mess and outside."

The defense counsel declared:

"I am right in saying this is a

"baffling case. It has not been

solved and if it has not been

solved you cannot convict

anybody of anything."

Prosecutor Mervyn Griffith-Jones, in a two-hour final address, said: "So often in cases

of murder it is said on behalf

of the defence: where is the motive for this crime? That can never be said in this case."

He claimed to have put together "a jigsaw of facts" proving premeditated murder with "the strongest evidence of motive."

Throughout it all the defendant maintained a poker face.

Emmett-Dunne spent this evening much like any other he has spent since the trial began. He went out for a brief walk under escort, chain smoked, read books or listened to the radio in his 12 by 8 foot white-washed cell.

Every few minutes his guard peered in at him through an observation slit in the door.

If Emmett-Dunne is acquitted today, the court orderly will march him outside the courtroom and there he will be dismissed.

Any other finding will be subject to confirmation and promulgation by General Sir Richard Gale, Commandant-in-Chief of the British Army here.

This procedure would take two or three weeks. —China Mail Special.

SUDAN'S FIRST BANK HOLDUP

Khartoum, July 6.

Three masked bandits staged the first bank holdup in Sudan's history today by robbing the vaults of Barclays Bank Wadmedan branch of £4,000.

They bound and gagged the British manager and his staff and made their get-away in a car. —United Press.

Menon Wants Japan In United Nations

Washington, July 6.

Mr V. K. Krishna Menon, India's roving ambassador, said today he thought Japan should become a member of the United Nations and he would support a move to achieve this.

Mr Menon was replying to a question after addressing the National Press Club here.

Mr Menon said he was very impressed by the expressed desire of the world powers to make further efforts to resolve their difficulties.

He was asked whether he regarded the current Soviet "softness" as genuine. "The main thing to consider is to discover what is genuine and the process of discovery is very important," he replied.

"We have found that it is better to accept what people say. If we suspect everybody's motives in the end we suspect ourselves."

Replying to other questions, Mr Menon said:

1. The disposition to the Chinese offshore islands of Quemoy and Matsu, now held by the Nationalist forces, must be part of a general overall peace settlement in the Far East and must not be solved by war.

He described the Formosa situation as difficult and one which could give a great deal of trouble.

2. One should not try to assess who was right and who was wrong in the case of the United States airmen imprisoned by China.

The problem was to find a solution so as to remove "a very great barrier" in the way of easing tensions.

—Reuter.

Sir Robert Arrives Safely

London, July 7.

Sir Robert Ho Tung, 92, arrived shortly after midnight in London by air from Hong Kong.

Sir Robert, who will receive the Order of Knight of the British Empire from the Queen, was carried from the plane in a collapsible wheelchair he had brought along and was wheeled to the Royal Lounge of London Airport.

Five grandchildren and Chinese and Hongkong government officials greeted him.

In the Royal Lounge Sir Robert, if he would meet the press and he replied: "It is very hot here. I will sit them outside for a few minutes, please."

Outside, in the breeze-swept airport grounds, Sir Robert told the press, "I had a pleasant journey and I feel very tired. You have to speak up; I am the deaf. I will go now."

He complained repeatedly of London's heat, which was 81 degrees.

Sir Robert left for his hotel in a car, constantly fanned by one of his aides. —Anchor side carried his wheelchair. —United Press.

Hongkong Gloves Production

London, July 6.

Mr. John Peyton, a Conservative, asked in the House of Commons today how many gloves—fabric, woolen and leather—were manufactured in Hongkong in each of the last four years.

Mr. Henry Hopkinson, Minister of State for the Colonies, replied:

"Estimated production in 1952, 1953 and 1954 was respectively 145,000, 404,000 and 892,000 dozen pairs."

"For the first six months of 1955 the estimate is 860,000 dozen pairs." —Reuter.

Gen. Juin Resignation Denial

Paris, July 6.

Marshal Alphonse Juin, France's top soldier, has not resigned as military adviser to the government, the office of Premier Edgar Faure stated tonight.

The girl, Helga Jelinek, was asleep when the chained dog loosened the rubber pipe of the gas oven. Her parents were out but neighbours, smelling the gas, burst into the flat in time to rescue her.

Later unchained, the dog suddenly jumped through the third floor kitchen window which the neighbours had opened and was killed instantly. —China Mail Special.

MARSHAL JUIN

He has resigned from the special co-ordinating committee which plans French action in North Africa.

Usually reliable sources said his resignation resulted from serious differences on French policy in Morocco.

The Premier's office, however, emphasized that he remains the government's military adviser. —Reuter.

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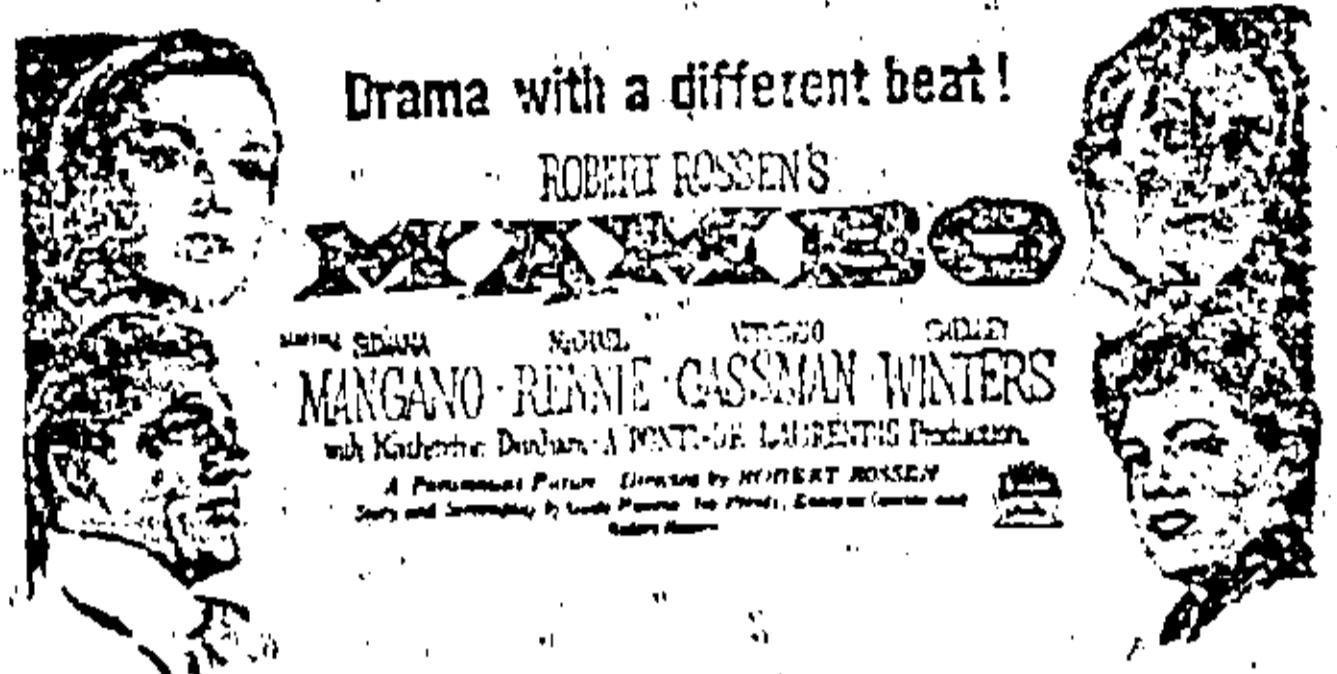
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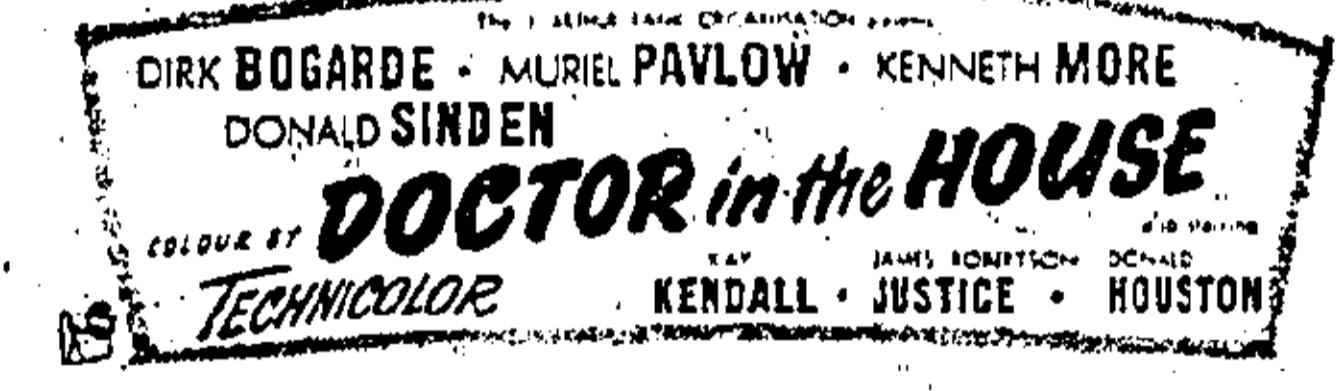
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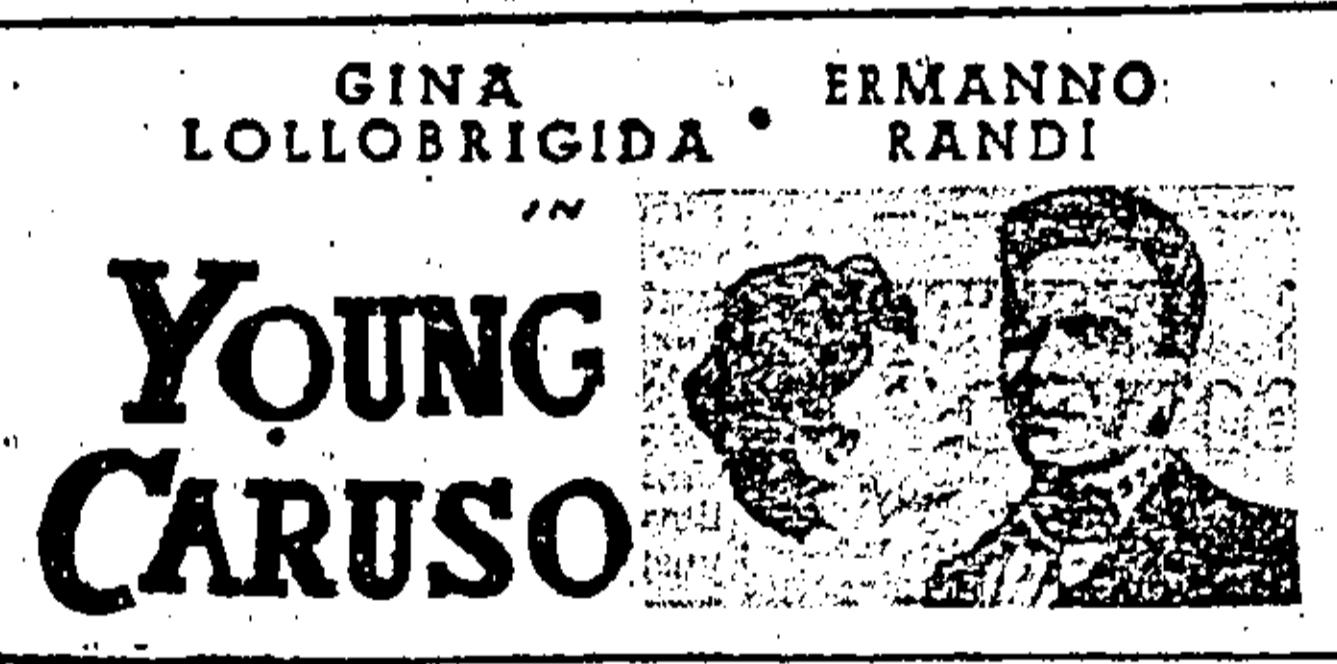


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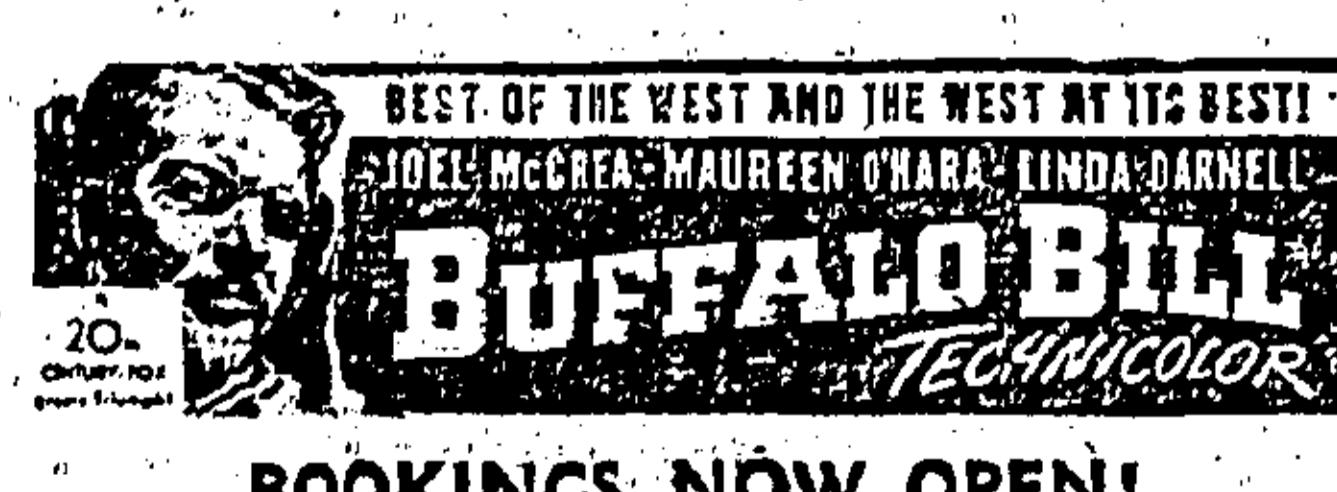
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FAURE SHOULD HAVE EASY VICTORY
Franco-Tunisian Agreements Ratification

Paris, July 6. M. Edgar Faure, French Premier, is expected to gain an easy victory in the debate which opened today on ratification of the Franco-Tunisian agreements providing for internal autonomy for the North African Protectorate.

Both the Defence and Foreign Affairs Committees voted favourable reports today on the agreements which have been hammered out during the 12 laborious months—after the promise of home rule made last July by former Premier Pierre Mendes-France.

M. Mendes-France was overthrown in February on his North African policies but his successor, M. Faure, carried through the tricky negotiations with the Tunisian leaders to a successful conclusion.

GAULLIST OPPONENTS

M. Faure is expected easily to overcome the adjournment motions put forward by Gaullist opponents of the agreements.

Support of Socialists and Popular Republicans has assured the Government of victory. Some Gaullists and Conservatives will vote against ratification but the Communists will probably abstain.

The debate was adjourned until tomorrow to allow the National Defence Commission to report on the project.

The final vote is expected late on Friday night. So far 14 Deputies have put their names down to speak and M. Mendes-France and former Foreign Minister Georges Bidault will probably take part.

Meanwhile the National Defence Committee voted to recommend ratification by 13 votes to 7 with five abstentions. General Joseph de Monsabert, Gaullist reporter for

Treatment Of Prisoners

Washington, July 6. The Senate today approved four treaties designed to establish a pattern of international conduct towards prisoners of war and civilians captured by an enemy.

The pacts, already ratified by the Soviet Union and 47 other nations, were negotiated at Geneva in 1949.

The treaties deal separately with the status of prisoners of war, civilians, wounded and sick military personnel and sick and shipwrecked members of the armed services at sea.

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HUGE AIR LIFT
America To Japan
And Back

New York, July 6. More than 7,000 army troops will be exchanged between Japan and the United States in a massive airlift beginning tomorrow.

Huge C-124 air transports will carry 3,900 paratroopers from Fort Campbell, Kentucky, to Ashiya air base in Japan and bring 3,100 men of the 187th Regimental Combat Team back to Fort Bragg, North Carolina.

The Air Force said in a Press release it would be "the biggest troop airlift in military history" though no comparisons were offered with the big airborne movements of the Second World War and the Korean War.

About 65 C-124s will carry out "the lift."

Planes will stop for three hours at Travis Air Force base, California, northeast of San Francisco, and two hours each at Hickam Air Force base, Hawaii, and at Wake Island on the flight to Japan.

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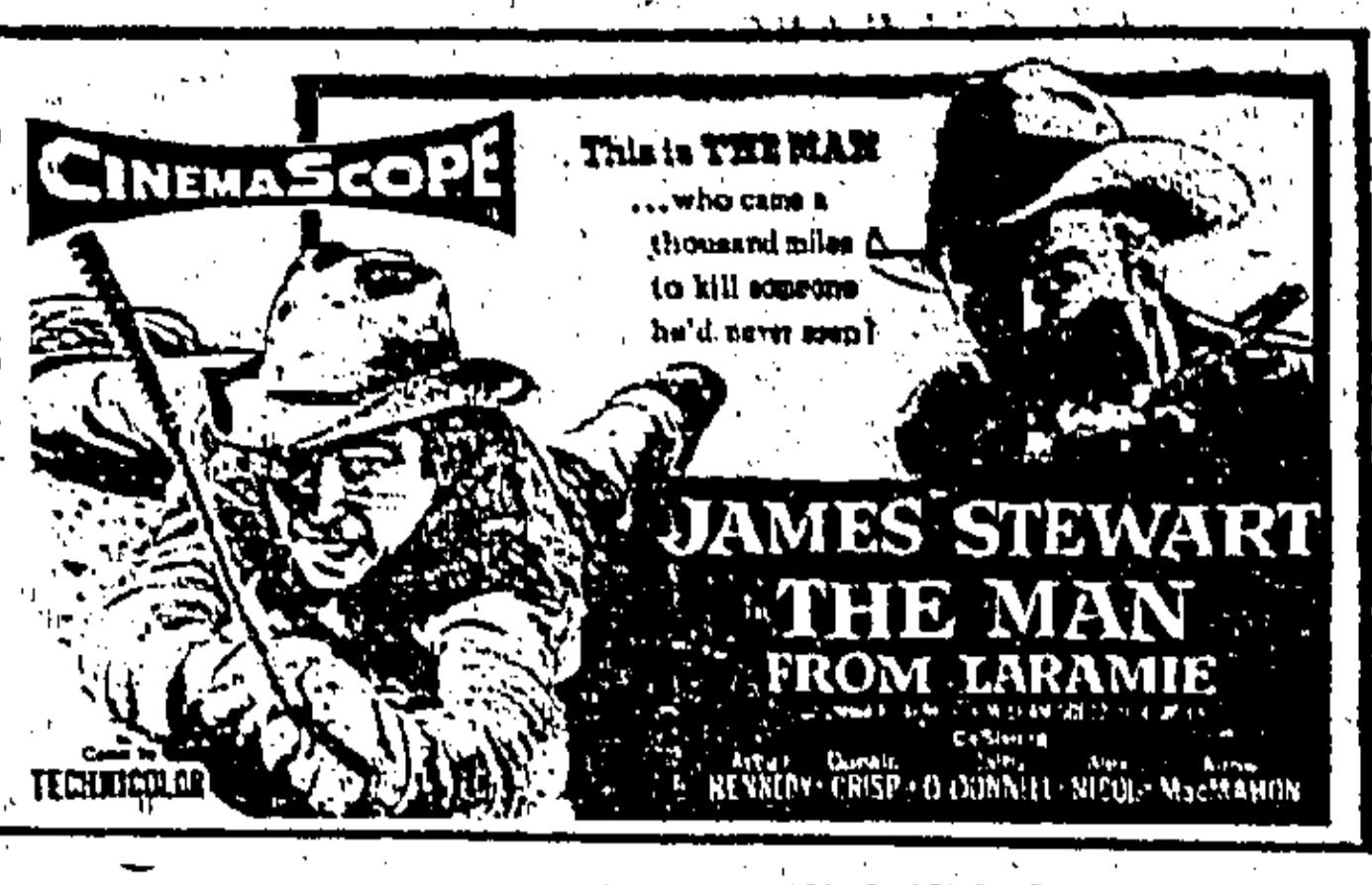


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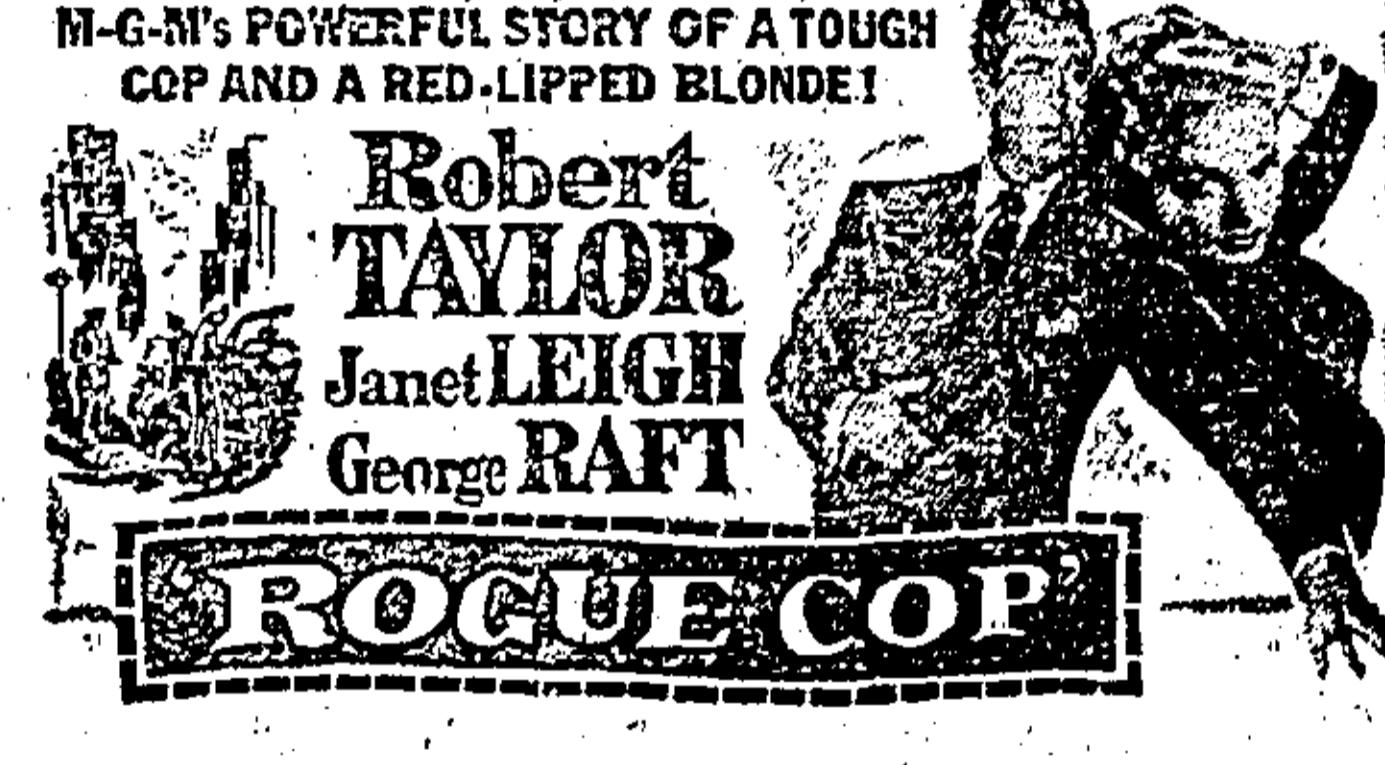
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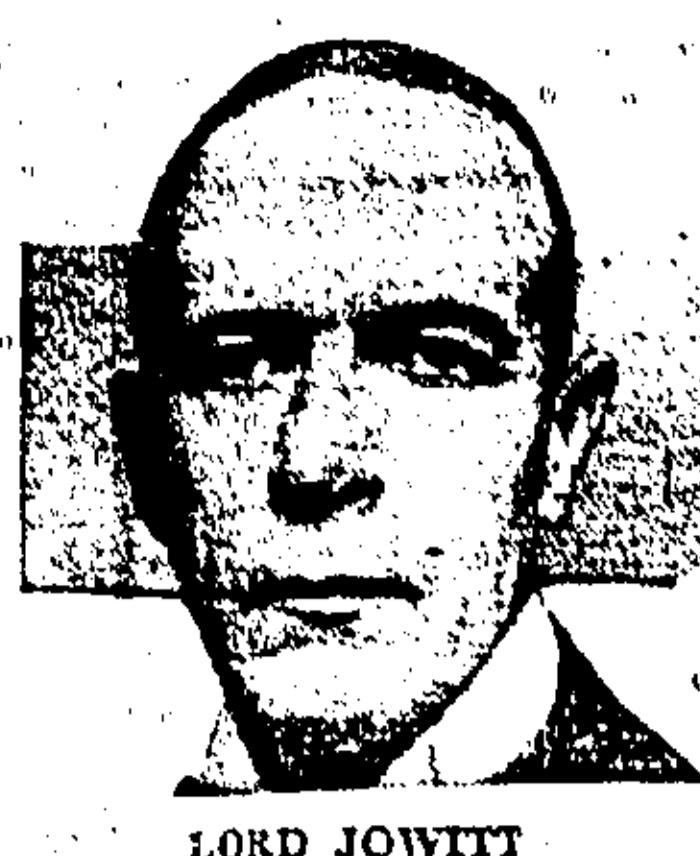
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LORD JOWITT
TOO MUCH
IMMUNITY

London, July 6.
Lord Jowitt, a former Labour Lord Chancellor, told the House of Lords last night that the extension in Britain of diplomatic immunities for foreign organisations was becoming "rather a scandal."

"The only people I know who are not subject to diplomatic immunity at present are the South African cricketers," he said, adding, "and they are much better entitled to it than many who have it."

He warned the Government that he would start a campaign against the extension of diplomatic immunity in the autumn unless something was done about it.—*China Mail Special*.

TURKISH PILOTS GRANTED ASYLUM

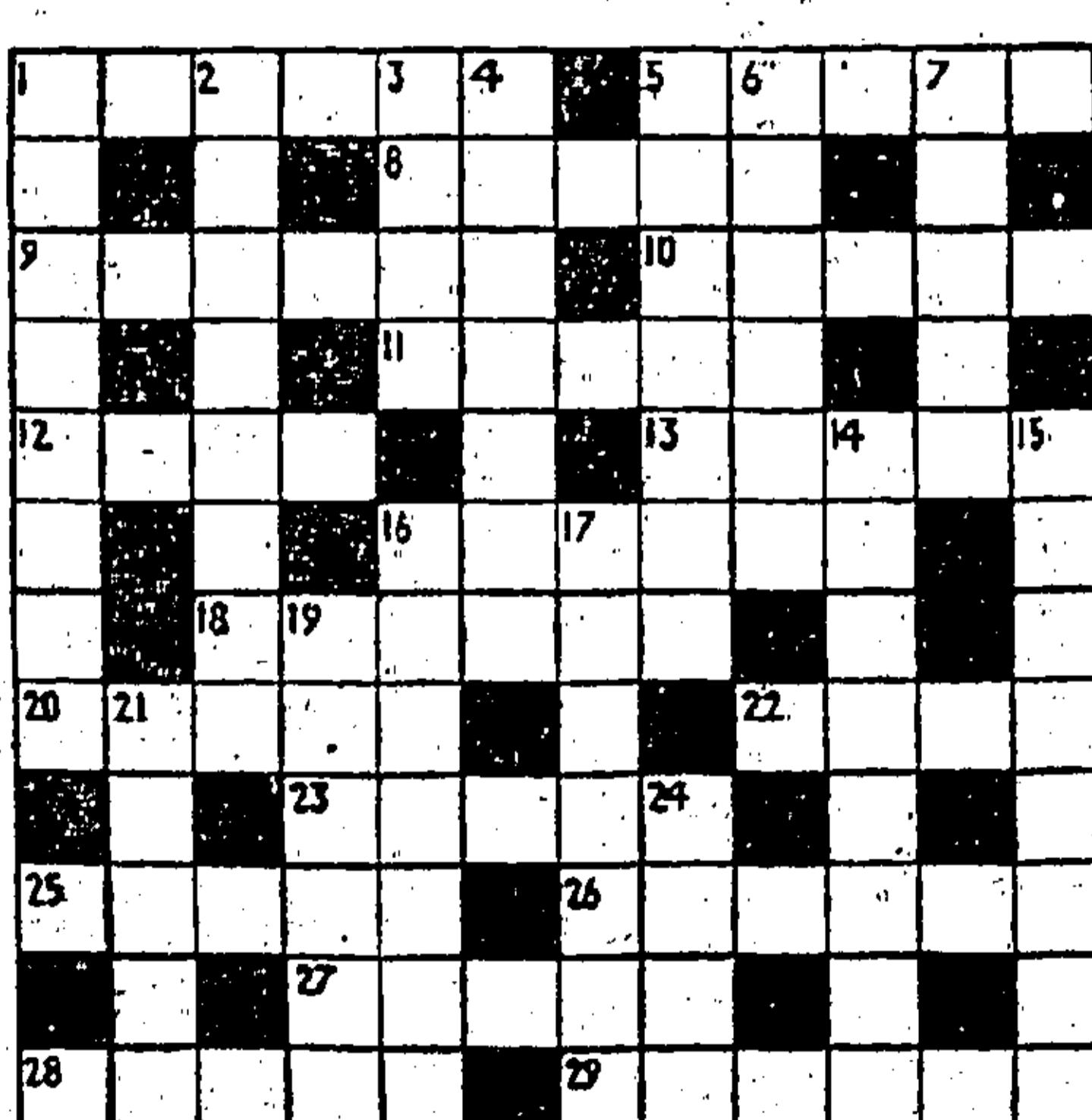
Sofia, July 5.
TWO Turkish civilian pilots who landed their bi-motored transport plane on an airfield near the Bulgarian city of Stalin (Varna) on the Black Sea last month have asked for and received political asylum, the Bulgarian News Agency reported today.

The pilots, Sevsi Ahmed Goegezir and Satek Sileman Songom landed on June 3 in a plane of the Turkish civilian airline company of Jurkoch according to the Agency.

On June 22, it continued, the Turkish Legation at Sofia asked that the plane be returned, and the Bulgarian Government granted visas to two other Turkish pilots so that they could enter the country to fly the plane back.

Describing the background of the two refugees, the communiqué claimed that they had served for several years in the Turkish Air Force, but had been dismissed in 1950. They then changed jobs several times, were unemployed, and finally joined the Jurkoch company.—*France-Press*.

A British Crossword Puzzle



ACROSS

- 1 Prescribed amount (6).
- 5 Harvest (5).
- 8 Take over (5).
- 9 Clergyman (6).
- 10 Firm (6).
- 11 Haughty (5).
- 12 Way out (4).
- 13 Meditated (5).
- 14 Most recent (5).
- 15 Lessons (6).
- 20 Scrimmage (6).
- 22 Cozy (4).
- 23 Arrears unpaid (5).
- 25 Dress (5).
- 26 Doctrinaire (6).
- 27 Anaesthetic (5).
- 28 Joins closely (3).
- 29 Classification (6).

YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD—Across: 3 Able, 7 Stoop, 8 Acid, 9 Grip, 10 Prepare, 12 Stem, 15 Elite, 18 Stop, 19 Linen, 21 Ripe, 22 Rend, 23 Erect, 26 Lens, 28 Estimate, 30 Neat, 31 Diva, 32 Essay, 33 Game Down, 2 Compete, 4 Bert, 5 Eats, 6 Lime, 8 Grip, 11 Alone, 13 Tend, 14 March, 16 Elect, 17 Oral, 18 Spin, 20 Interact, 22 Read, 24 Bedside, 27 Knit, 28 Snag.

Suicide Troops Attack Vietnam Government Forces ARMY BOGGING DOWN IN COCHIN-CHINA

Saigon, July 6.

The Vietnamese High Command reported today that the National Army has killed or accepted the surrender of 1,234 Hoa Hao sect rebels in violent fighting yesterday in western Cochin-China where fanatic General Ba Cut used "suicide" troops to save the main portion of his army.

Reports filtering in from the rugged "wild west" of Vietnam said that heavy monsoon rains had turned the rice paddies of the area into vast swamps in which the army's equipment was bogging down.

The High Command said that 247 rebels were killed in yesterday's battle while 160 were captured and 827 voluntarily swore their allegiance to Premier Ngo Dinh Diem. Diem's troops, Government losses were not announced.

MEETING

Here in Saigon, attention focused on the meeting which should be held between Mr Diem's Government and the Communist Vietnamese before July 20, according to the Geneva peace agreement.

EX-ENEMY ASSETS IN CEYLON

Colombo, July 6.
Nationals of Japan, Germany and other ex-enemy countries had property valued at 1,525,800 rupees on September 30 in 1954, in trust with Ceylon's Public Trustee, according to a trustee's administration report issued here today.

Japanese nationals have 1,033,121 rupees lying with the Trustee in Ceylon, whilst German nationals have 456,298 rupees.

The report said that the Ceylon Government was taking action to release Japanese assets in accordance with the peace treaty signed with Japan.—*China Mail Special*.

Soviet Union Now Open To Tourists

Moscow, July 6.
The Kremlin has decided to throw open the borders of the Soviet Union to tourist travel.

For the first time since before World War II, a number of Soviet cities will be open to American and other tourists in what apparently will be a big effort to encourage foreign travellers.

(This move has long been expected. Since the death of Stalin, preparations appear to have been under way to make certain selected areas of the Soviet Union ready for tourism. Many news correspondents and specially invited delegations of foreigners already have covered the tourist itinerary, which apparently will include the storied old cities of Soviet Central Asia, the Caucasus, the Ukraine and the Central Russian Republic.)

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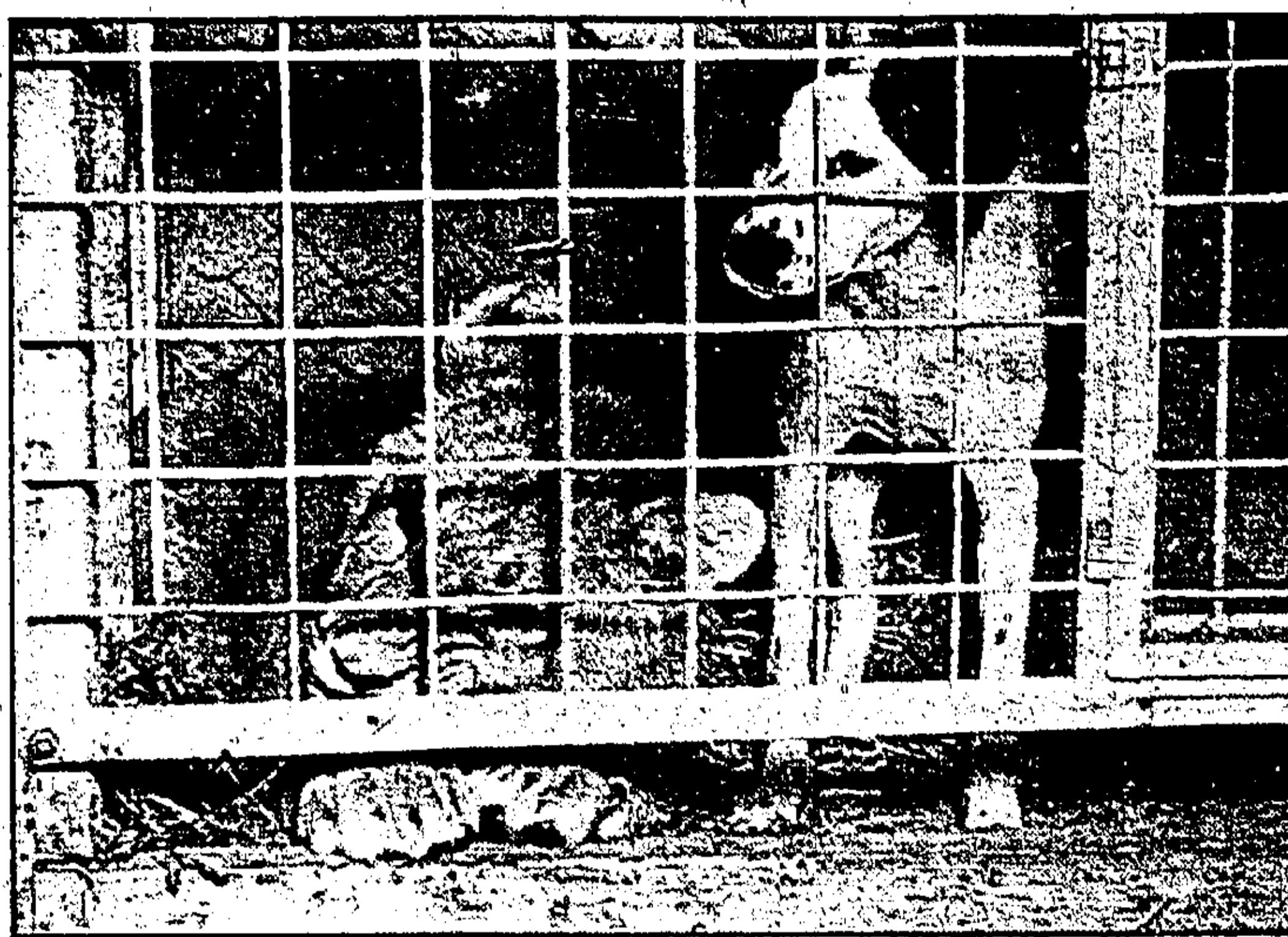
The aim of the Soviet Government appears to be to contribute to its current campaign of slackening international tensions.

Western travel agents already are in Moscow making arrangements for tourist travel, which is expected to begin late in August or early in September. Travel agents from Norway, Sweden and Britain have been inspecting the facilities of Moscow hotels, and have told correspondents they were doing so in order to recommend accommodations to their clients.

A tourist agent from New York also is in Moscow with the visiting American chess team and has indicated he plans to make similar arrangements.

However, there is no hint yet of any change in the currency exchange rate. At present the ruble is quoted officially at 25 cents, which would make travel for tourists in the Soviet Union extremely expensive. In the past the Soviet tourist agency, Intourist, has offered a special plan under which tourists could pay a total of \$19 a day in their own currencies for accommodations, meals, sightseeing, and local transportation. Associated Press

Lion Has Pup For A Pal



Spot, a mongrel puppy from Bilsdon, Staffordshire, lives in a cage with a LION. The lion, six-months-old Peter, plays all day with Spot; shares his meals with her. At night they cuddle up for warmth.

Their owner, Mr William Cole, recently sold Spot. Peter turned savage; threw himself snarling and spitting at the bars of his cage. They were hastily reunited.—*Express Photo*.

Mohammed Ali Rebuffed

Murree, Pakistan, July 6.
Members of the Moslem League in Pakistan's Constituent Assembly today rebuffed Mr Mohammed Ali, the Prime Minister, by deferring until the end of the month the election of their leader.

Mr Ali is the only candidate for leadership of the League in the Assembly. As President of the National Moslem League he will be "acting" Party leader when the newly elected Assembly meets at this Punjabi hill resort tomorrow.

A senior Party member told reporters after the secret meeting of the Party caucus that the decision was influenced by the threat of Mr Hussein Shaheed Subrahmanyam to resign as Law Minister in the present caretaker government unless he is made Prime Minister.

League members in the Assembly will await the return of Mr Ghulam Mohammad, the Governor-General, who is now in London after a rest cure before electing their leader.

REFUSE SUPPORT

He has also threatened that his influential Awami League will refuse decisive support for controversial constitutional proposals unless he gets the Premiership.

Many Moslem League members feel that Subrahmanyam is the man most capable of steering the constitutional proposals, of which he is the main architect, through the Assembly.

Royal Family At Polo



Princess Anne arrives on Smith's Lawn to watch a polo match.—*United Press Photo*.

Re-Export Of Jap Cloth

BAN CALLED BY FEDERATION

Ostend, July 6.

The International Federation of Cotton and Allied Textile Industries decided here tonight to ask European national federations to agree to ban the re-export of finished Japanese grey cloth.

Mr M. Ludwig, British director of the International Federation, said at the end of the six-day meeting tonight it was hoped that "a network of agreement" could be reached between European federations on the ban.

The International Federation had previously asked the Organisation for European Economic Co-operation (OEEC) to request European governments to make a similar move. But the OEEC said such a decision could only be taken by the national federations.

SEPARATE AGREEMENTS

The ban would now have to be achieved by separate agreements between each of the national federations. The German and Swiss federations had already reached such an agreement, while talks were now under way between Belgium and Holland for a similar decision, he said.

The Federation expressed a wish that Japan would again become a member as she was before the war and accepted Portugal as a new member.

The meeting, attended by delegates from 15 countries, also welcomed the agreement reached between the Liverpool Cotton Association and the Alexandria Cotton Exporters Association, allowing Liverpool to arbitrate disputes over exports of Egyptian cotton to Britain. Mr Ludwig said the Federation sincerely hopes that similar agreements will be reached between Egypt and other European countries in the very near future.

The Federation's Raw Cotton Merchants Committee had been pleased to hear that the United States Cotton Council and other American organisations were making efforts to improve the present sole covering of cotton which now arrived at mills in a "most dilapidated state," he said.

The Committee had "strongly urged" the Council to find

Pontecorvo In Print



Moscow, July 6.

The name of Professor Bruno Pontecorvo, who disappeared from England five years ago when engaged in secret atomic research and now holds Russian citizenship, appeared for the first time in the Soviet "Academy of Science reports" published during the Moscow conference on the peaceful use of atomic energy which ended yesterday.

His name is appended to two articles, in collaboration with Soviet scientists G. I. Selivanov and A. Reutov, S. M. Kozenchenko and V. Yuriev, respectively.—*Pravda*.

Heresy Trial

Milwaukee, July 6.

The Rev. George Crist, Jr., 31, Pastor of a Lutheran Parish in suburban Durham, said today he will defend himself against heresy charges by trying to prove that his views are within the doctrine of the Lutheran Church.

A five-member investigating committee of the Church's north-west synod has informed Mr Crist that his heresy trial date has been set tentatively for July 23 either here or at Minneapolis.—*United Press*.

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JACOBY ON BRIDGE

Here's How To Win At Bridge Table

By OSWALD JACOBY

If you think that East and West bid with supreme optimism in today's hand, I'll agree with you. They managed to convince South that they could make a vulnerable game contract. So he decided to "sacrifice" in one of his five card major suits.

South was Benjamin Mitchell, one of New York's fine players. Fulfilling the doubled contract helped Mitchell win the recent pair championship in the recent Eastern States Tournament.

West opened a trump, hoping to reduce dummy's ruffing power. Dummy held the first trick with the eight of hearts, and Mitchell immediately led dummy's singleton spade. East

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♦ A 8 5 3	
♦ 8 7 4 3	
WEST	
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♦ 10 5 2	7 4
♦ K J 9 4	Q 10 6
♦ A Q	K J 10 9 5
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♦ A K 7 6 3	
♦ 7 2	
♦ 6	
East-West vul.	
South West	North East
1 ♠	1 N.T.
Pass	Pass
Pass	Pass
Opening lead—♦ 2	

naturally played low, and declarer made the key decision when he played a low card from the South hand.

West won with the jack of Spades and returned another trump. As planned, this reduced dummy to one trump that could be used for ruffing.

South won the second trump in his own hand and led the king of spades. West played the king of spades. South continued with the queen of spades. West covered with the ace, and dummy ruffed. It was now easy for declarer to return to his hand to draw the last trump and cash the rest of the spades.

If South had put up the king or queen of spades at the second trick he would have lost his game contract. West would have taken the ace of spades and would have returned a trump. South would not be able to set up the spades and would make only nine tricks.

• CARD Sense

Q.—The bidding has been: North East South West 1 Spade Pass 2 Clubs Pass 2 Diamonds Pass? You, South, hold: ♠ A ♦ 8 3 ♦ 7 5 2 ♠ K J 10 5 3

What do you do?

A.—Bid three clubs. You are not very happy with your hand, but the situation is forcing except for the kind of hand given yesterday. In this case your strong club suit should take care of you.

TODAY'S QUESTION

The bidding is the same as in the question just answered. You, South, hold:

♦ A ♦ 8 3 ♦ 7 5 2 ♠ K J 10 5 3

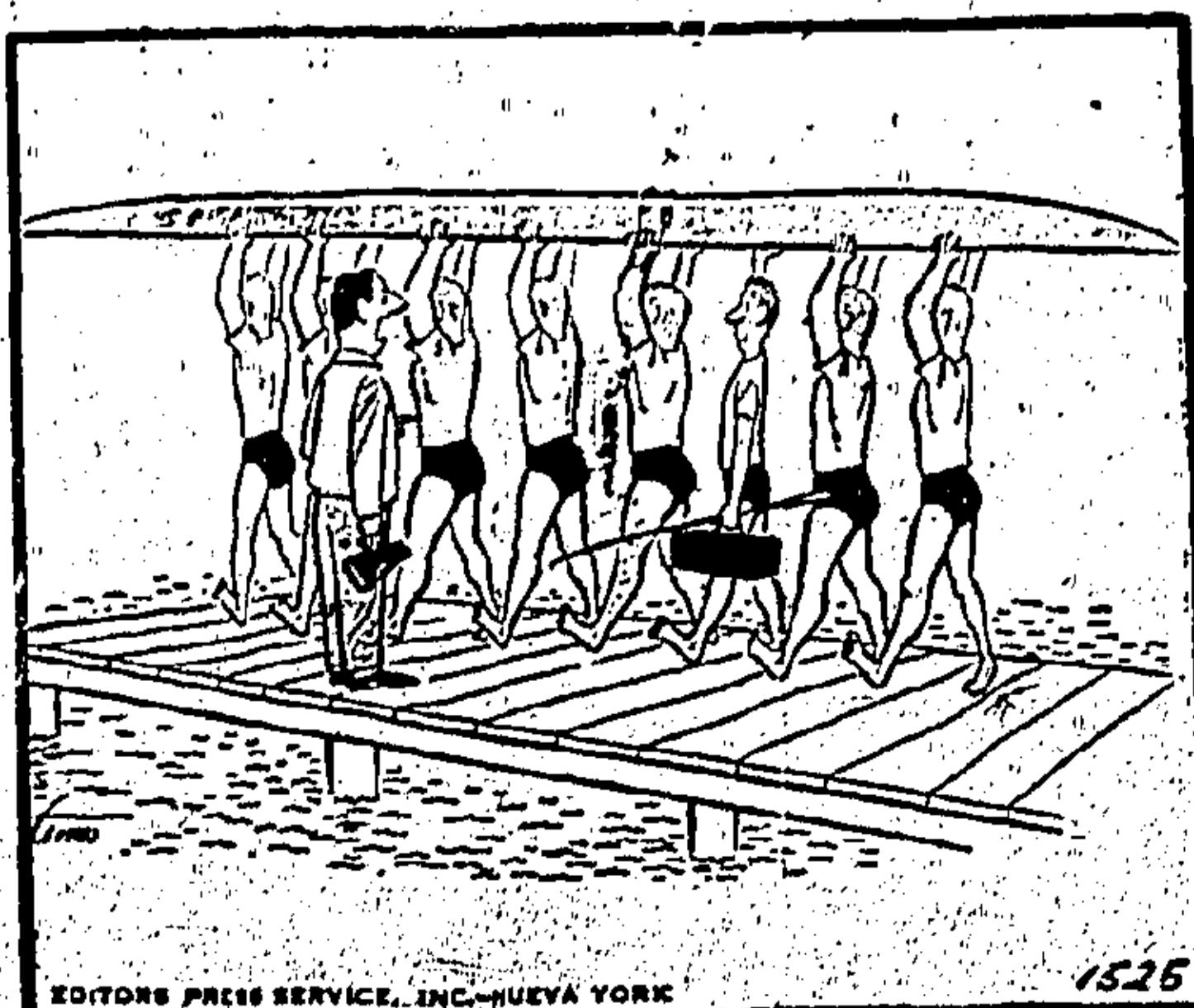
What do you do?

Answer Tomorrow

Beachcomber On Holiday

Beachcomber, the humorist, is on his summer vacation. His popular column, "By The Way," will be resumed as soon as he gets back.

Yesterdays position:



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THURSDAY, JULY 7

YOUR BIRTHDAY... By STELLA

THURSDAY, JULY 7

BORN today, you are a natural businessman although your major interests are in the cultural arts and professions. You are original and individual in your approach to things and are a natural leader, rather than one who remains content to follow the conventional pattern.

You are not as strong physically as you seem to think you are and often work much too hard for too long without stopping for rest and relaxation. All work as you must know, can cause a serious breakdown. You are inclined also, to worry too much about what might happen. If you can't do something to prevent what you are worrying about, stop thinking about it and never cry over what is past!

FRIDAY, JULY 8

CANCER (June 22-July 23)—A fine day for all cultural, literary and intellectual pursuits. All your ideas should be good ones.

LEO (July 24-Aug. 23)—Your mental attitude toward your work can serve to forward your ambitions. Make excellent progress.

VIRGO (Aug. 24-Sept. 23)—The stars are smiling on your plans. Everything should be working out favourably and advantageously.

LIBRA (Sept. 24-Oct. 22)—If a new idea appears to be practical, now is the time to put it into operation.

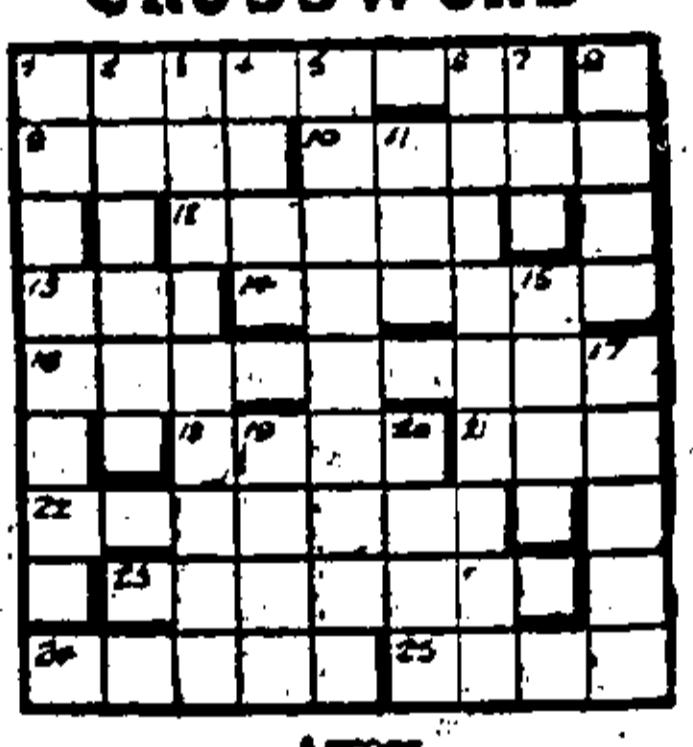
SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 22)—You will just show the correct degree of co-operation, this is one of your really winning days.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 22)—You can get a real sense of pleasure at the end of the day if you have finished an important job.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 23-Jan. 20)—This is one of those times when brainpower can save musclework for you! Plan a social evening.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21-Feb. 19)—Although business before

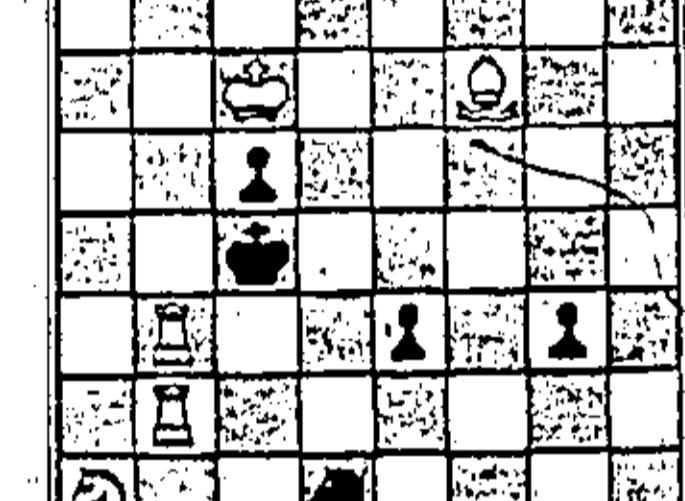
CROSSWORD



CHESS PROBLEM

By C. GOLDSCHMIDING

Black, 7 pieces.



White, 7 pieces.

White to play: mate in two.

Solution to yesterday's problem:

1. Q x K P, any; 2. Q, R, B, or Kt mates.

HOUSEHOLD HINTS

By MAX TRELL

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THE PETER MAY STORY

IT STARTED IN THE GARDEN—WITH MOTHER BOWLING

By GEORGE WHITING

Here is a message for the mothers of England. If little Lancelot wants to hit something with a cricket bat in the back garden, let him. Better still, join him. Go out, see that he keeps his head down, and bowl to him—preferably "over-arms" with a hard ball.

For you, too, madam, may be raising a broker at Lloyd's and the captain of England at Lord's—the twin exalted functions now being discharged with calm, charm, enthusiasm and modesty by 25-year-old Peter May, the engineer's son from Reading.

After all, broken windows are Reading at the "over-the-wall" a modest premium to pay for and out" age of eight. Master immaturity, and effusions by May moved on by right of common entrance examination to Charterhouse—and Geary.

May, a slim, straight and "Dear old George was our cricket coach—in my opinion the greatest of them all," said May. "Any success that has come my way is his by rights. You should have seen him when they gave me a reception at Reading after the Austrian tour. He had a great time."

FAVOURITE SHOT

"George has been through the County mill. Knew all the answers, and rammed it into me that cricket is hard work. You cannot just walk into it."

Geary had golden encouragement for these Charterhouse batsmen. "Keep coming down the wicket," was his dictum, and was beside any argumentative Smith Major or May Major who dared to point out that such tactics almost inevitably meant a stumping.

None of that step-back-and-wait-for-it nonsense for coach Geary—which probably explains those cracking off-drives that figure so sweetly in the repertoire of England's new captain.

"It's my favourite shot," admitted May. "But I wish they'd bowl a little more consistently. Nobody seems to bowl that way these days."

At nine, the eager May had been taken to Lord's and soon saw that his mother who, saw that my younger brother John, and I got plenty of ball games. "Mother played lawn tennis, but she knew about cricket. Used to bowl to us for hours in our garden at Reading."

"But for her and George, all this might never have happened."

Sam Hutton's successor waved an all-embracing arm in the green chain of turf wherein he now leads England against South Africa in the second Test.

ENTHUSIAST

George? Ah, this is where this sedulous usurping young cricketer gets as near letting his smooth fair hair down as a Charterhouse and Cambridge education will permit.

Talk to May about May—and you do all the talking. But mention the name of George Geary, the old Leicestershire all-rounder—and you've got a red-hot enthusiast on your hands.

Having baited No. 5 for Marlborough House prep school at

Charlton Fans Protest Sale Of Firmani

By ARCHIE QUICK

There is a storm in South East London. The lowering clouds have been caused through Charlton Athletic Football Club's announcement that they are prepared to sell centre-forward Eddie Firmani to an Italian club for £35,000."

Supporters have inundated the club with letters of protest for you must know that Eddie was Division One's leading goal scorer last season and a very potent reason why Charlton were challenging for the Championship round about Easter time.

Manager Jimmy Seed knew that a storm would brew as he considered the Latin offer and was prepared with his answer. Said Soccer's Senior Manager to me when I met him at the Wimbledon Lawn Tennis Championships. "The so-called supporters of ours" have not got a leg to stand on."

We were one of the most successful in the League last season yet we averaged only 25,000 gates and you cannot run a First Division club on that. We are the worst supported club in Division One, and we are seriously considering moving to another suburb of London. Also, we cannot afford to ignore such an amount as £35,000."

SQUEALING TOO LATE

The supporters are squealing too late, although of course it is not yet definitely certain that Eddie will go. We shall miss him and be sorry to lose such a fine club man. The supporters should have thought of it earlier and then we should not have had to lose him."

Firmani, who has recently completed his National Service with the Royal Air Force was discovered by Mr Seed playing in South Africa where he was born, but he is of Italian parentage and is keen to play there. He would receive about £23,000 signing on fee, a house, and £30 per week salary, plus bonuses.

He would be the first top class football player to sign for a continental club under the International Federation agreement. The brothers probably of course were transferred by Newcastle United to San Diego but they were Chilean born and were really returning home.

THEN A DUCK

"At the end of the over, Len walked down the wicket and asked me if I was all right. But I hardly had strength enough to reply. Completely wozzled."

But Mr Wilson saw the sign of wozzling. He wrote: "May's equanimity, his subordination of self for sides, stamped him as a player well above the ordinary. His progress through the ranks typified May's imperturbable temperament and he went from 98 to 106 with two glorious straight drives which similed to the boundary. Even then he did not succumb to the temptation of youth to celebrate with the spectacular."

SPORTS BY MAROC



London Express Service

Wild Men From The Jungle Are Such Shy Chaps

Says MOORE RAYMOND

Hanging by his toes from a chandelier, the near-naked Tarzan swing to and fro, beating his hairy chest and roaring: "Who-oo-oo-oo!"

When he bared his teeth and snarled, several women screamed. We men stared aghast at the sight of the wild man behaving like a chimpanzee in one of the reception rooms of a London luxury hotel.

By the same token, however, they will not have failed to note his failure to score in the first innings of the current match against South Africa.

In London, they have made him captain of England. In Georgetown, they threw bottles when he ruined local punters by running out a West Indian batsman. In Sydney, a scientist who discovers the secrets of a planet in outer space and has quite a tussle with a robot.

"Being a scientist, I win," the actor says, laconically.

Being on contract to M-G-M Studios, he has to.

Next week, he marks his 30th year in Hollywood and his 18th

year with M-G-M.

MEMORABLE PICTURES

The young actor from New Brunswick has come a long way since he played with Dolores Costello in "The Mannequin" in 1925.

But it was not until 1940 that he hit his stride as co-star with

Grease" in a number of memorable motion pictures.

Their first film together was "Blossoms in the Dust." There followed "Mrs. Miniver,"

"Madame Curie," "Mrs. Parkinson," "Julia Misbehaves," "That

He's SO GENTLE"

I got there 15 minutes late, expecting to find her standing shyly in a corner. I found her in Tarzan's arms.

He was hugging her about like a log, first with two hands, then with one hand—while photographers flashed the exhibition of graceful strength.

Afterwards she said: "He's so gentle. And sort of innocent. All the time he was throwing me about he kept on saying how sorry he was and he'd get me out of this nonsense as soon as he could."

"He's got nice brown eyes, and did you notice his jolly-well-kept nails?"

The gentle innocent with the jolly-well-kept nails will make a couple of Tarzan pictures this year and collect £10,000 for his trouble.

OXFORD TARZAN

"I hear you're signed up to make Tarzan films exclusively for the next seven years," I said. "So you're not going to be like some of the other Tarzans and have a go at real acting as well? Not like Lex Barker, for instance, who decided he had talent worthy of better things than jungle epics?"

"Not me," grinned the hand-somest Tarzan of them all. "Besides, the character is becoming more intelligent. In Burroughs' books he went to Oxford—remember?—and he went back to the jungle because he preferred it to civilization. That's the sort of Tarzan I am."

Afterwards my secretary said: "He's really too nice for Tarzan pictures, and he's not married either."

I'm still trying to work that one out."

Can a comedian read the BBC news with conviction?

Announcer Ronald Fletcher has always been a very humorous fellow in the Bernard Braden series on sound. He is even funnier in the new TV series "Bath-Time With Braden." But soon he may disappear from sight.

Authoritatively thinks that you and I can't take seriously the news of drought in Saudi Arabia and riots in Fallon in when read by Braden's straight man.

SILVER WEDDING

At the Lyons' silver wedding party there was champagne and a big, beautiful cake.

Ben welcomed the guests on behalf of Bebe, Barbara, and Richard. He continued:

"Now I understand that Wilfred and Mabel Pickles will soon celebrate their silver wedding. Where are you Wilf? Mabel?"

The Pickles pair made their way through the crowd and stood shyly by the table.

"Now," said Ben, "there's something I'd like to ask you. Wilfred. Would you like to buy this cake?"

As Mary Pickford is 82 and Buddy Rogers is 51—and as they have been married for 19 years—and as they are now in London—I thought I'd interview the former World's Sweetheart on how to be happily married to a husband years younger.

So when I met her at the Lyons' party I asked her:

"Please me. If you can get me a dry Martini," she replied.

When I brought it and repeated the question—she settled herself in her chair and said: "Now tell me about your love life."

AROUND HOLLYWOOD

A Bank Messenger At 21, A Film Star At 40... That's Walter Pidgeon

By MICHAEL RUDDY

Do you need a first-class compere, an ambassador of good will, an excellent actor, a reliable partner at bridge?

Then your man is Walter Pidgeon, 57, one of M-G-M's stars, investor, past president of the Screen Actors Guild, who was a bank messenger in Boston at 21, and a film star at 40, in Hollywood.

Between these ages, he toured in Britain and America with Esie Janis, in review and musical comedies. He was a noted player on Broadway before coming to the film capital 30 years ago.

Looking 47, rather than in mid-fifties, Pidgeon is trim, erect vigorous, plays tennis and tennis with ease and grace.

Among his recent screen daughters are Elizabeth Taylor in "The Last Time I Saw Paris" and Ann Francis in "The Forbidden Planet."

"Then they decided that I was an ideal father and I've had some charming daughters on the screen," he says.

He reminded me that one of his daughters was Jane Powell in "Hit The Deck."

Whenever the Motion Picture Producers Association send a battalion of stars to Europe or South America for a film festival or a goodwill tour, Walter Pidgeon always accompanies the group as a senior member.

He has also travelled thousands of miles by military transport with Hollywood teams entertaining troops in Alaska, Greenland and Korea.

Before going on leave to play for Yorkshire in the "Battle of the Roses" annual match against Lancashire at Old Trafford, Mike Cowan took four wickets in this latter film, which he completed last month, he said.

When Miss Cowan became Metro's Glorified Miss, and her contract was ended by mutual agreement, Mr Pidgeon seemed lost for a year or so.

"Then they decided that I was an ideal father and I've had some charming daughters on the screen," he says.

He reminded me that one of his daughters was Jane Powell in "Hit The Deck."

When I asked him what he did with his time, he said quietly, "When my contract ends, I shall be 60. At that time, I shall take life easily but I won't retire. I don't see myself ever retiring."

What's he like in person? He's Pidge to his friends. He's a great story-teller, likes gardening, old tweed jackets, flannels and pogues. He's tall, 6ft. 3ins., seems always relaxed except when walking or on the tennis court.

He's a hearty eater but once a week takes only fruit juices. He's been married 24 years to Ruth Walker and is a proud grandfather. They live in an old Spanish house in Bel Air. Old? Well, he says, it was built in 1928. His slogan, "Life's too short to take time out for worry."

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storage, and where delivery may be
obtained.

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in the godown for examination by
consignee, and the consignee's
agent, between 8 a.m. and 10 a.m. on
Monday, 11th July, 1955.

No claims will be admitted after
the above day, for the godown
all goods remaining undelivered after
the 12th July, 1955, will be subject
to rent.

All claims against the vessel must
be presented to the undersigned on
or before the 5th August, 1955, or
they may not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.
CE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES
Hong Kong, 8th July, 1955.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNNEES

"EUMAEUS".

Damaged cargo on this vessel will
be surveyed by Messrs. Poulsen &
Hayes-Davy at Holt's Wharf from
10 a.m. on July 8 and 9, 1955, and
consignees are requested to have
their representatives present during
the survey.

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Hongkong, July 6, 1955.

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Life Becoming Difficult For Clandestine Archaeologists

Rome, July 6.
Life is becoming increasingly difficult for
Italy's hundreds of clandestine archaeologists.

Police are now keeping a special watch for
the men who pillage the Greek, Etruscan and
Roman tombs and temples scattered about Italy.

Answering a question in the
Chamber of Deputies (the Lower
House of Parliament) recently,
Signor Giuseppe Ercini, the Education Minister
admitted that there had been a
"preoccupying increase in illegal
excavations" in the past few
months, especially in Central
Italy, technically known as
Southern Etruria and archaeologically
rich in Etruscan and Roman ruins.

The Minister said that the
police had been ordered to
launched a "more vigorous and
constant" campaign against these
"archaeological bandits" and ten arrests had already
been made.

NOTHING NEW

Clandestine diggers in Italy
are nothing new.

The Penal Code lays down
that whoever tampers with the
"national archaeological, historical
or artistic patrimony" is liable
to a year's preventive
custody and/or a fine of up to
8,000 Lire (\$5). He can also
incur a series of other fines and
terms of imprisonment of up to
three years on charges of theft
and "trading in objects of
archaeological value" (which re-
quires a special licence).

The penalties did not deter
the archaeological bandits. They
ran little risk of detection and
profited always.

Secret diggers share an un-
erring instinct for buried ruins.
Some are professionals with a
sound knowledge of archaeology.
Others are farmers with a
shrewd sense of the value of
mementoes of earlier civilisations.

Methods of locating the exact
whereabouts of a ruin vary.

Dr Giuseppe Lugi, a former
inspector of the Government
offices controlling the export of
artistic works described two of
these methods recently. In
some places, he said, a long
iron-tipped stake is used to
sound a promising area.

Experienced can catch the clink
of iron against a tombstone,
the dome of a temple or the broken
wall of a building. In other
places, pickaxe and shovel de-
licately clear away the earth in
an area showing signs of buried
treasures.

BANDITS

Archaeological bandits, like
genuine archaeologists, can also
tell the probable location of a
ruin by the thickness of
vegetation on the surface. But
in a country like Italy, where
one can hardly dig a hole without
revealing some remnant of
history, searching for ruins is
rarely required.

Tombs, temples, whole villages
appear under a farmer's plough,
a builder's pick or a child's playful digging. When a
vase or some other object is turned up, the finder can either
report the discovery to the
nearest Superintendent of
Antiquities or to one of the
roving gangs of archaeological
bandits.

The former alternative, under
existing laws, brings him
nothing but bother. The area is
frozen until organised
excavations can take place.
The owner is paid for every-
thing of value found, even for
the parcel of land if the find is
irremovable, but only after
tedious bureaucratic procedure.
The clandestine archaeologists
dig quickly and pay on the
spot.

They bring in a party of
expert diggers who work by
lamplight or in the first light
of dawn. Objects of value
stolen away in cartloads of
soil.

But in their haste, the
illegal diggers cause incalculable
damage. Their sole concern is
to steal the most valuable ob-
jects—bronzes, vases, amphoras,
statues, statuettes and jewel-
lery. Objects of less material
worth, like terracotta vases,
figures and inscribed tablets,
are inevitably smashed or damaged.
Archaeological information is thus hopelessly
lost.

MANY HANDS

The bandit's foot passes
through many hands and finally
reaches the shops of unscrupulous
Italian antiquarians, or is
smuggled out of Italy.

A gang of expert archaeo-
logical robbers carried out the
most sensational spate of recent
times two years ago when they
stole 100 tonnes in a necropolis (burial ground) in the Po
Valley, in north-central Italy.

Beautifully decorated am-
phoras and vases valued at
100,000,000 Lire (\$27,000) were
stolen. Many have since been
recovered, but the experts fear
that some of the loveliest
pieces are beyond recovery.

The necropolis is believed to
have belonged to Spina, a city



West Looks To The East

PARIS — FRANCE'S ENEMY NO.1

Paris, July 6.

Town planners, economists, policemen,
motorists and pedestrians alike are agreed that
something will have to be done about Paris.

M. Georges Maurice, director of the municipal
police, recently published a book entitled "Circulez! Le pourrez-vous demain?" ("Move on! Will you
be able to tomorrow?").

Economists and Sociologists,
pointing to the concentration of
France's industry, administration
and intellectual life in and
around the capital, have called
Paris "France's enemy number
one" and the rest of the country
"the French desert."

Two hundred architects, town
planners and other specialists
recently told an international
congress of students of architecture
here what they thought was wrong with the capital of
France. Here are some of the
diseases they diagnosed:

1. CEREBRAL congestion.
Nearly half the population of
Paris lives in mazelated at
Paris university" and other
centres of higher study in the
capital, to the detriment of 15
Provincial Universities.

2. CIRCULATION trouble.
It takes up to two hours to
cross the city and nearly as
long to park. Suburban workers
crowded to three hours a day
in crowded trains and buses.

3. THE wrong use of
land and buildings. The time of
civil servants and public alike is
wasted by Ministries having as
many as 40 different addresses,
many of them in buildings
which would be better employed
helping to solve the city's
housing problem.

She is Miss Sahatya Chotikastien, who is attending a
course of instruction at the Royal Victorian Institute of
the Blind before returning to
Siam to do social service work.

Miss Chotikastien said: "The
blind need help not pity."

Aids The Blind

Melbourne, July 7.

A blind Siamese girl arrived
here to study Australian
methods of teaching the blind.

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She added that her ambition
is to make her people realise
that the blind can work.

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REMEDIES

Here are some of the remedies
suggested by the planners:

1. Develop the Provincial
Universities to give the "French
desert" more intellectual life.

2. Give the "desert" more
economic life, too, by encouraging
industry to move to provincial
cities.

3. Develop surrounding
towns, like Creil, Compiegne,
Meaux and Melun, not as
dormitory suburbs but as
satellite towns with their own
industries on the British model.

4. Make more easy ways out
of Paris like the Autoroute de
l'Ouest, which enables motorists
bound for the west and northwest
to bypass all the suburbs which extend to
Verneuil and Saint-Germain-en-
Laye. A southern motor highway
to link up with the main roads
to Orléans and Lyons and serve
Orly airport is already under construction.

5. Make it easier to get
round Paris by building a ring
road beyond the Outer Boulevards
which are now in town.

6. Move the Boulots out to
the Porte de la Villette where,
adjoining the abattoirs and the
cattle market and well served
by road and rail, a large out-
of-the-city gasworks is due for
demolition.

7. Re-group Government
offices in a set of new Ministries
round the road junction beyond
Neuilly bridge, where the
monument to the defence of
Paris in 1871 dominates a vast
expansion of shacks and vacant
lots.

8. Move the hospital out to
the country, leaving only accident
and emergency departments
in town.

9. Get some of the parked
cars off the streets into many-
storeyed car parks, including
one on the site of the Halles.

All these things will cost
money, but some at least will
have to be done to give an
affirmative answer to M.
Maurice's question—China Mail
Special.

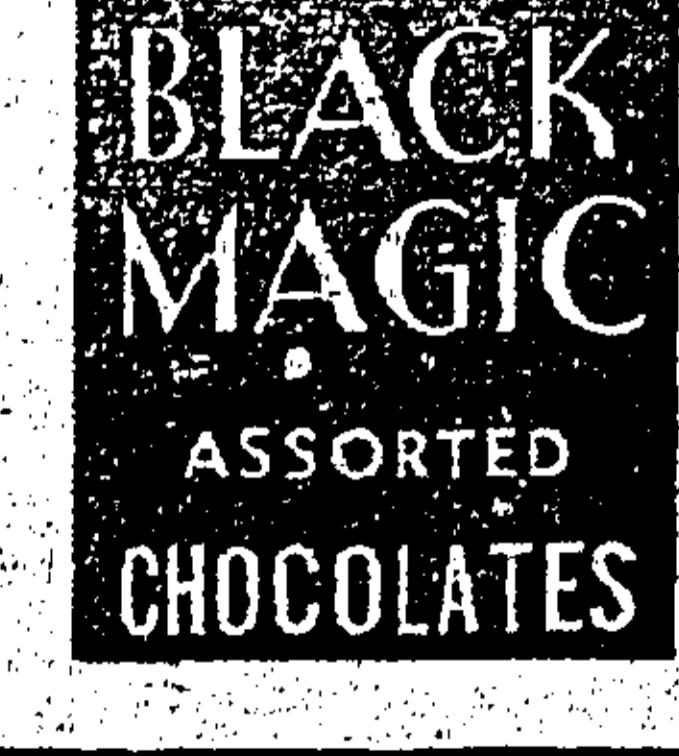
By Lee Falk and Phil Davis



By Ernie Bushmiller



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Pigmy Tribe Discovered In Colombia

Bogota, July 6.

Anthropological pygmies have been discovered in the south of Colombia by the well-known US explorer, Colonel Leonard Francis Clark, who has spent several months exploring the course of the Apaporis River, a tributary of the Caquetá River, which flows into the Amazon.

Colonel Clark said that he had discovered a new mountain ridge, which belongs to an older geological formation than the Andes.

This may be confirmed by the fact that not far from the Eastern slopes of the Colombian Andes an old mountain formation is found, which is known as the 'Molocas'. Colonel Clark's mountain ridge is up to 4,000 feet high. The pygmies who were discovered are described as "mammoth" and "immensely corpulent". Their average height is 3 feet 11 inches. China Mail Special.

...this situation
calls for a

**Señor
Miguel**



Simonstown's Role In West Defence

Simonstown, July 6. While South African and British statesmen have been discussing in London the future of the great naval base here, warships of Britain, South Africa and France have been steaming back to their ports after taking part in their annual sea-air defence manoeuvres off the east coast of South Africa.

Every summer naval and air force units of the three countries, operating from South African and Madagascar bases, join together for an international exercise which emphasises the importance in the world strategy of Western security of the Simonstown naval base at the southern tip of the African continent.

The base has been British naval property on South Africa soil since 1893. But, regardless of the previous differing views over its future ownership and control, all agree on its role as the most important strategic naval base in the Southern Hemisphere for Western countries.

150 Years

Simonstown, situated 22 miles from Cape Town inside False Bay on the Indian Ocean shores of Cape Peninsula, has actually been a British Admiralty base nearly 150 years—since 1814—but was first settled as a naval and military depot by early Dutch occupying forces in 1741.

Today it is a community of over 10,000 people, more than half of them Europeans with a naval harbour, dry dock, workshops and Admiralty House, official residence of the Commander-in-Chief, South Atlantic Squadron—at present Vice-Admiral Sir Ian Campbell.

Simonstown's value as the turning point of the shipping routes round the bottom of the African continent where the Atlantic and Indian Oceans meet has increased strategically since it was accepted that any war with the East would probably close the Suez Canal.

Defence experts have reasoned that a Communist offensive would drive towards the Persian Gulf, aiming to seize rich Western-owned oil installations and block communications through the Middle East.

Simonstown provides the only equipped naval maintenance base anywhere nearby. The South African Navy occupies an independent base at Salisbury Island, Durban, for its few small ships, but Simonstown dockyard facilities are required for repair or refit.

Nearest Base

Apart from Simonstown, the nearest major naval base in an emergency today would be Gibraltar, Bombay or Ceylon both 5,000 miles away.

The Cape, known in history as the "Tavern of the Seas" being point for old sailing ship routes to the East, must long retain its role as one of the world's great shipping junctions, prosperous in peace and vital in war.

Ships maintaining supply routes between Britain, India, the East and Australasia must use the Cape if the Suez Canal was shut.

In the critical days of the Second World War over 300 vessels were repaired at Simonstown and more than 2,000 ships called there. Warships found it an invaluable base for escorting convoys through dangerous sea lanes where German submarines hunted allied shipping.

Well-Sheltered

False Bay, 20 miles wide, affords well-sheltered anchorages in the worst weather for modern warships of any size though Simonstown's dry-dock could not cope with the day's great battleships or aircraft carriers. In case of need, however, these could fit into the larger, commercial Duncan Dock in Table Bay outside Cape Town itself.

Coastal resorts hugging the mountain slopes around the rocky shores of False Bay rarely see anything much larger than a destroyer or frigate using Simonstown dockyard to-day. *China Mail Special*.

GAY PRAGUE DIVORCEE

Prague, July 6. A 34-year-old Prague divorcee, Jirina Pekarova, used to beg, borrow or steal a handbag, gold watch, camera, leather jacket, costume material or something else when she visited her friends, the Czechoslovak newspaper *Vesec* Praha reported.

Then she sold the goods and pocketed the money. She supplemented this income by helping herself to cash belonging to tipsy men she met in night clubs. And once she stole 3,000 crowns (about £150 sterling) on a train.

But now her "easy money" days are over. She is under arrest, the newspaper said. *China Mail Special*.

TRADE and COMMERCE SECTION

UK ON THRESHOLD OF OIL AGE

Demand Will Fall On The Entire Industry

HONGKONG STOCK EXCHANGE

(From Our Correspondent)

Business done on the Hongkong Stock Exchange this morning amounted to \$933,483.30. Noon quotations and the morning's transactions:

SHARES BUYERS SELLERS SALES

BANKS HK Bank ... 1780 1705 31,000 1720

ENTREPRENEURS ... 40 1000

Editor ... 100

Lombard ... 5312

SHIPPING ... 100

DOCKS, ETC. ... 100

K. Wharf ... 7312 77

Deck ... 2740 3000 2710

Provident (C) ... 1512 1512

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Whaleback ... 8,800 8,830 4,750 8,800

LAND, ETC. ... 17,20 17,20 10,000 17,20

HK Land ... 72 72 200 72

Hannover ... 18

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UTILITIES ... 24,20

500 24,20

Star Ferry ... 1,512 1,512

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C. LIGHT (C) ... 17,20 17,70

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STORES, ETC. ... 23,10 23,40

5,500 23,40

Dairy ... 2,10 2,10

Watson ... 14,30 14,14

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COTTONS ... 5,80

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JOHN CLARKE'S
CASEBOOK

All Hope
Abandoned

IT was mid-afternoon and the police-station was as quiet as a country rectory when the children are away. Only occasional heavy thuds, as officers taking ten at their desks set down the fragile service crockery, and the scratch of a regulation pen, broke the silence.

Suddenly, the quiet was disturbed by an urgent hammering at the bell on the public counter.

A policeman who had been engaged on his daily stint of crime writing, laid down his pen and went to see what was the matter, half expecting he would find a woman who had lost a handbag, a man who had lost a car, or a child who had lost a ball.

ALL FAITH GONE

INSTEAD he found George, a man who had lost something less easy to recover than any of those things. For George, in his middle-forties, prematurely grey, prematurely pinched and crabbed, had lost all faith in himself and all hope for the future.

"Well?" said the policeman.

"... I've come to give my self up," George said. "I stole an old pair of shoes from a van."

"Tell me about it," the officer said. Shakily, George obeyed.

ALL THINGS GREY

HE said he had stolen the shoes from a parked van in which he had slept the night before and sold them to a stranger for 5s. He could not remember exactly where the van had been parked, nor what it looked like, except that he thought its colour was grey.

But to George all things seemed grey.

The police could find no trace of shoes reported missing. They searched the area where George said he had spent the night, but they could not find the van.

"But I tell you I did steal them," George insisted.

ALL TOO HARD

AT the Clerkenwell court, he pleaded guilty. But the magistrate, Mr Frank Powell, when he had heard the story, said: "I suppose he may really have made all this up?"

"He may, sir," a detective said. "There are 22 previous convictions against this man and he came out of prison last January after serving seven years. He's had good jobs as a labourer since then, earning nearly £10 a week, and he has no one but himself to support but he gave them up because he found the work too hard."

"Do you want to go back to prison?" the magistrate asked George.

"That's right, definitely, yes," George said.

"But you might get another long sentence. You don't want to spend the rest of your life in prison, do you?"

"It's immaterial to me," George said.

"Well, this is very sad," said the magistrate. "I doubt very much whether you committed this offence. You'd better have a talk with the probation officer."

ALL WILL HELP

WHEN the probation officer brought George back, he said: "He still maintains that he stole the shoes."

"Suppose I let you go," said the magistrate to George, "what will you do with yourself?"

"I suppose I'll be walking around at midnight, without a meal."

"And then you'll be brought in as a suspected person," said the magistrate. "I'm going to ask the doctors to have a look at you."

George shrugged. He said nothing, just turned and shuffled away. A traveller setting out against his will upon a voyage of discovery, whose destination, the probation officer, the doctors, the magistrate might steer him to the land of happiness, and promise he had given up the hope of finding for himself.

End Of
Prison
Riot

(Continued from Page 1)

The inmates' conditions for settlement also included the following:

1. That there be no reprisals for any action that has taken place from the time "this situation" started until it ended. Hostages released after the agreement was signed readily consented to this condition, and agreed to follow it to the letter because of the "excellent" treatment given them by the rioters.

2. The men now assigned to segregation or isolation must be transferred to other cells and wings immediately.

3. In the future, men placed in segregation to await trial should receive the same privileges that they have in their own wings.

4. The "proper" Federal authorities should be requested to visit the institution for the purpose of interviewing any inmate who believes his constitutional rights have been violated". Dr Harris said this request would be followed except in cases where it fell outside the law.

SENTENCES REVIEW

5. Each inmate's sentence shall be reviewed by the Parole Board yearly. This point also included the demand that the Board of Prison Terms and Paroles be investigated and that Simon be relieved.

6. A complete and modern law library should be established so that it will be easily accessible to inmates. Dr Harris said this point would have to be investigated to determine whether it was feasible and whether there would be sufficient funds.

7. An Inmate Council must be established immediately. This Council must be formed of the inmates and no man may be removed by officials after being properly elected.

8. The Post Office inspector should make periodic checks on mail going to and from the institution. The convicts complained that writs and other legal papers often are not mailed until too late to serve their purpose.

9. We believe that each institution official should be required to acknowledge and review requests within a reasonable time." To this, Dr Harris agreed "emphatically". —United Press.

Concealed
A-Weapons

(Continued from Page 1)

negotiation of an international disarmament agreement can be sought. It can be stated authoritatively that the United States will oppose the Soviet proposal for a world disarmament conference in 1956 to be attended by non-members as well as the members of the United Nations.

The Administration has already decided that the intricate technical problems connected with nuclear disarmament make it unsuitable for discussion at this stage by representatives of the many governments who have not yet had experience in handling atomic weapon problems.

Authoritative sources here make it clear that the United States will not permit itself to be subjected to pressure at a world conference from large numbers of non-atomic powers whose votes may be swayed by political considerations, rather than by the necessary technical knowledge of the problems of nuclear disarmament control. —China Mail Special.

GOLD FOUND ON
SMUGGLER

Pleading guilty to importing 40 lbs. of gold without a licence, Leung Choy, 52, of 120 Des Vaux Road, Central, third floor, was fined \$750 by Mr Hinsching Lo at Central this morning.

The gold, which is worth approximately \$11,000, was found concealed on a defendant at the Yuen On Wharf yesterday morning.

BOUGHT RUPEES

Kotwani bought Indian rupees with some of his money and on January 15 left by plane for Calcutta. When he did not re-

CHINESE FILM COMPANIES
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SIDE GLANCES By Galbraith



Alleged Swindle
Told To Court

The story of an alleged swindle of \$58,800 involving a shipment of "shirts" to Australia, which turned out to be rock salt was told by Crown Counsel, Mr D. E. Greenfield in the Victoria District Court this morning.

Charged before Judge J. Reynolds was a former salesman of the Queen's Dispensary, Joe Francis Gerver, alias Jean Franz Ang How, alias Chiu Wah-fat.

He was charged with obtaining on December 24, last year with intent to defraud from Messrs J. Kundan and Co., a cheque to the value of \$2,000 by falsely pretending together with M. Mirchund Kotwani that he was the proprietor of an alleged firm called Swan Garment Factory which manufactured rayon jackets; and with obtaining on January 8, 1955, from Messrs J. Kundan and Co., a cheque to the value of \$56,800 by falsely pretending together with M. Mirchund Kotwani that a quantity of rayon jackets, of a description and value specified in a bill of Swan Garment Factory, delivered to Messrs J. Kundan and Co., had been shipped to Australia.

Accused, who is on bail of \$5,000, is represented by Mr Y. H. Chan of Messrs Lau, Chan and Ko.

CROWN CASE

The Crown case was that the Hongkong manager of Kundan and Co., Mr S. S. Chopra, an Indian merchant, was not very experienced in import and export business, and employed Kotwani as his export manager. Kotwani produced a cable purporting to be from a firm in Sydney ordering 400 dozen garments, and introduced the accused who posed as the proprietor of the Swan Garment Factory of 111 Lai Chik Kok Road.

The accused had in the meantime ordered two chaps of that firm's name and 20 each of visiting cards, invoices and receipts in the same name with a bogus telephone number, according to the prosecution.

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The coach, with seating for 64 passengers, carried Mr O'Neill, his wife, the former Baroness Mary Marshall von Bieberstein, and the Third Secretary to the British Embassy in Peking, Mr Douglas Hurd, who came down to meet Mr O'Neill.

They were seen off by the German Consul-General, Mr H. Dittman, Mr M. C. Illingworth, the Governor, Mr J. B. Trevor, General Manager of the Kowloon-Canton Railways, and Mr C. H. Ngan, Traffic Manager.

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